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Dear Sir,

It gave me great pleasure to receive your letter, & to be assured of another reader of H. D. Thoreau. I asked Messrs Chatto & Windus, who publish the book here, to send you the needful business information, which I hope you have. There can be no doubt that Thoreau has lost influence - the influence which he right well deserves to have in England - through his being classed in a rough & ready way with the mere disciples of Emerson. Whereas, with all the lofty aspiration which Emerson's early teaching was well fitted to convey, he was, in certain lines, an distinctly original & individual writer in his manner. I have tried to set him clearly forward in this respect. Already the book has

been most favorably noticed in The Spectator, the Graphic, & London, one of our new literary society papers, which nevertheless is appreciative. I do not fail to make note of W. Lovell's article, as you will see. Then article I hold was not only inappreciative & unsympathetic but in some respects short sighted & misleading! I trust you will like the book.

I do not know if you have ever seen two books of mine — "Modern Lives" & "Noble Workers" (published by Daldy, Isbister & Co). They are meant for young men mainly & have sold. The one is in a fourth ed.n & the other in a third, though but recently published. They have been cut about & adapted for America & I suppose have sold there too; but the American publishers have never even sent me a copy. But I mean to run over to spend a few months in the States some day & then I shall deliver myself of a good scolding of some publishers. I shall be very glad to hear

that you are not quite disappointed with the Thoreau Book. It contains a good portrait from a daguerreotype.

Remain
My dear Sir,
Yours very sincerely
Alex. H. Japp
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P.S.

I am sub-editor of Good Words & often write in it; & Good Words I daresay you sometimes see